

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
MINUTES OF PROS (Parks Recreation and Open Space) COMMISSIONERS
April 3, 2012 – Veterans Memorial Building

1A. Commission Chair Steve Kniffen called meeting to order at 10:04 AM.

Present: PROS Commissioners Jeff Miller, Tim Roche, Ben Bouldin, Joyce Renshaw and Chair Steve Kniffen

Parks & Recreation Liaison & CCSD Board: Gail Robinette and Michael Thompson

CCSD Staff: Jerry Gruber, Kathy Choate and Carlos Mendoza

Ex Officio Members: FFRP – JoEllen Butler

Guests: Susan McDonald, Linda Finley, Kathleen Jones, Dawn Dunlap

1B. Established quorum of five commissioners present.

1C. Chair Report – None.

2. Ex Officio Member Reports

1. Friends of Fiscalini Ranch Preserve (FFRP) – JoEllen Butler reported that the removal of invasives continues, and there is an upcoming wildflower walk.

2. Coast Unified School District – no report, a representative was not present

3. Public Comment –

Tina Dickason made comments about the equestrian proposal, and swim park flyers

4. Regular Business –

4A. Receive Equestrian Project Proposal by Susan McDonald, Kathleen Jones, and Linda Finley – Presentation was given by Linda Finley, Dawn Dunlap and Susan McDonald.

Public comments were made by Mickie Burton, Steve Figler, Jeff Hellman, Jack Breglio, Tina Dickason, Dennis Ortenberger (via email to JoEllen), via email from Wayne Attoe, and in writing by Vivian Thompson.

4B. Approve Minutes of Commissioners Meeting, February 7, 2012

Commissioner Roche moved to approve. Commissioner Bouldin seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. Ayes – 5, No – 0.

4C. Establish and Appoint Ad Hoc Budget Committee – Chair Kniffen established an Ad Hoc Budget Committee and appointed Commissioner Miller Chair. Commissioner Miller asked for additional Commissioner to join committee. Commissioner Renshaw accepted.

5. CCSD Parks & Recreation Manager's Report – Jerry Gruber

Jerry reported that yesterday he received notice from California State Parks that we will not be receiving any Prop 84 funds to help fund the playing fields at Santa Lucia School.

- 5A. Status Update on Fiscalini Ranch Management Plan – Jerry reported that the plan is moving forward with the County and an upcoming meeting with Cal Trans.
- 5B. Update on Facilities and Resources Department Staffing – Jerry acknowledged what a great job Carlos has been doing with himself and two part-time staff. The original plan to staff the department with a variety of part-time staff is not working as planned. A new staffing plan will be part of the upcoming budget process and proposal.
- 5C. Status Update on Dog Park – Cambria Main Street Bridge Replacement Project and Impact to Dog Park – Jerry reported that the County has a scheduled start date in the Spring of 2013. The proposed new bridge is on the other side of the old bridge and there will be no impact on the current dog park location.

Commissioner Roche reported that the Dog Park group has elected the same Board of Directors for a new 2-year term, membership renewals have been mailed out, a donation campaign has been started, and that a new sign recognizing the Heller's will be going up at the Dog Park.

Public Comment – Mickie Burton commented on Dog Park and asked when it might be moved to the East Ranch area. Jerry Gruber responded that once the Master Plan is adopted the process can start moving forward.

6. Ranch Manager's Report – Carlos Mendoza

- 6A. Update on Skate Park – Carlos reported that the CCSD had insurance liability concerns and has installed signage and fencing. The CCSD has also adopted an ordinance for rules governing the Skate Park. There will be an upcoming meeting with the American Legion and Lions Club to discuss a long-term agreement for maintenance of the Skate Park.
- 6B. Update on Moonstone Beach Drive Connector Trail – Carlos reported that the biologist completed their report and in doing so found that there had been an agreement with State Fish & Game Department that work cannot be done prior to April 15th. Project is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 16, 2012.

Public Comment to Ranch Manager Report – Tina Dickason questioned if horse riders were going through the creek under the bridge and what about horse droppings.

7. Comments, Concerns, Other Future Discussion Items – Chair Kniffen suggested adding an agenda item as an Ad Hoc Report for each meeting for Commissioner Roche to give a report from SLO POST meetings.
8. Commission Chair Kniffen adjourned the meeting at 11:40 AM.

Next PROS Regular Meeting: June 5, 2012 at 10:00 AM at the Cambria Fire Department on Burton Drive.